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## Affidavits Stir Political Fires At South Bay

Signed affidavits were presented at the Monday night meeting of the South Bay Council by Police Chief Marvin Davis charging that rock paid by the city had been put to personal use by three councilmen.

Chief Davis said he was asked by an unidentified person in South Bay to present the affidavits. He declined to name the person.

Three sworn statements signed by Jerry Whitaker, vice president of the Lake Placid Cleaning and Construction Company, alleged that a quantity of rock paid for by the city had been diverted to private property owned by Mayor P. W. Kelley, councilmen S. J. Fisher and W. L. Wheeler.

The statements were read by the attorney and then passed around to each councilman, but were never read aloud. After a short pause, one of the named men made a brief statement of denial or qualification.

Kelley said he was not involved in the matter. Fisher remarked, "Whoever got up those affidavits is a whole lot wrong. They aren't going to do them any good." Wheeler said, "The city agreed to pay for my rock" (since council is dredging rock left the area covered with rock and sludge).

Fisher then publicly denied that he got any Lake Placid Rock, and said he bought all his rock from Belle Glade Rock. Mayor Kelley said he had been paid bills by the city, but he paid from his own pocket. However, he said he owed the city for some of his lot.

The affidavits stated that while the city of South Bay was in the middle of the dredging program, Kelley got 50 loads, Fisher got 50 loads for his trailer park, and Wheeler got 10 loads for his lot.

A third affidavit stated that during the time the work was continued on Page Eight.

## Special Orders Given SB Chief

Following a special meeting of the South Bay Council last week which outlined the duties of councilmen, department heads and police, Police Chief Marvin Davis was issued special orders at the close of the regular Monday session signed by Mayor P. W. Kelley, councilmen S. J. Fisher and W. L. Wheeler.

The special orders called on Chief Davis to prohibit and suppress all gambling houses or gamblers in the city. The orders threatened suspension if he failed to comply.

Commissioners Ray Sullivan and Henry Elfers refused to sign the order. Davis said, "I know all they told me to do when I took office."

Elfers said he hadn't signed the order because, "He knows what he's (Davis) supposed to do. It (the special order) was done for political reasons."

The order states: You are hereby ordered to prohibit and suppress any and all gambling houses or gamblers in the city. It is my duty as Mayor of the city to see that all ordinances are executed. Failure on your part to enforce any one of the ordinances in my opinion as judge, shall constitute gross negligence and you shall be suspended for the rest of your term in office."

**Mathis and Newman Return To Duty Here**

Deputy sheriff Bobby Newman and Belle Glade police identification officer Bill Mathis returned Monday from a two-month commercial photography school in New York City.

The school, although not directly connected with either's job as lawmen, provided valuable information to be applied to police work.

The two studied the chemistry of photography and all photography in a group of 150 in an exhibition held at the school where he received a certificate.

## Over 2,000 Children Register In Glades Schools This Week

More than 2,300 students have registered in Glades schools this week and school officials voiced expectations that enrollment figures would jump 10-50 percent when registration is completed this week.

Negro schools in the area have registered more than 900 students and expect at least that many more for a total near 2,000.

At Belle Glade High School, grades 7-12, 532 registered while at the elementary school, grades 1-6, 631 registered.

Pahokee High School, grades 7-12, had 338, and the Pahokee elementary registered 348 in grades 1-6.

Oswego Central at Belle Glade, grades 7-12, registered 123; South Bay School with grades 1-6 had 150; Lake Harbor School with grades 1-6 received 52.

At Canal Point School, grades 1-4, 150 signed in, and the School For Exceptional Children received 30.

The completion of the new boat slip this week and turning basin at the Belle Glade Marina is only one of the many items promised for the local port.

Since the marina is being built, men who journey to Belle Glade during the 8th annual Kismissem festival will be able to load about 100 feet west of the loading ramp and port docks.

The loading ramp and port docks was finished along with the 50 by 125 foot turning basin. Construction on the utility building (Continued on Page Eight)

**JOB AND WORKER**

**J. W. Mosley, Jr., Representative Florida State Employment Service**

Employment of older persons is becoming of greater and greater concern to the general public, and to all of the organizations and governmental units involved in their welfare.

The number of older persons who are working or seeking work has increased through the years, both in quality and in quantity. The older worker is becoming a more important factor in the economy.

W. Mosley, Jr. workers, trained in sanitation, hygiene and medical care which have experienced the best of American workers. Employment opportunities for older workers, however, have not kept in pace.

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**Two Negroes Scale Back From Prison Early Tuesday Morning**

The escape of two inmates at the Glades State Prison Farm early Tuesday and the theft of an automobile from Chosen Tuesday night have been linked together by state and county officials.

Freddie Stokes, 23-year-old Duval County negro serving a 15-year sentence for armed robbery, and Andrew J. Darling, 19-year-old Dade County negro serving five years for grand larceny, were taken together at 4:30 a.m. from prison farm officials reported.

Wednesday, Belle Glade police and Constable W. L. Lee were informed that a 1950 sedan, owned by Pat Burke, of Chosen was missing and believed stolen. Officials assumed that the escaped took the car. John Doe was being held in custody by P. court here.

Burke's daughter, Doris, reported a stolen car taken from the Chosen home about 30 days ago from inmates from Moore Haven escaped from a Cleveland bus terminal game. The car was found by Dade County officers.

The negroes who escaped Tuesday face a 1-10 year sentence for escape and could receive up to five years more if they took the car.

## "Walk On Green" Jaycees Remind

A national safety program for school children is being launched by the Junior Chambers of Commerce, and the Belle Glade chapter is encouraging the school children to walk on green.

Object of the program is to help children remember to cross streets only at the corners and other designated places. The slogan for the project is "Walk on the Green."

As a reminder to "Walk on the Green," street cross walks which are used by school children will be painted a light green in order that the school children will be able to see where they are supposed to walk.

The most frequently used cross walks will be painted Sunday, Sept. 1. Jaycees members will paint the paint, and they hope that eventually all of the cross walks which are used by the number of school children involved in automobile accidents will go to and from school.

All mothers are being urged to instruct their children to cross the street at these cross walks or where there is proper supervision.

Members of the Jaycees committee for "Walk on the Green" are Bob Wilson, chairman; West, Dale Wells and Roy Kimbrey.

**MUCK, ANYONE?**

**Some Folks Never Get The Word!**

An unusual letter was received this week by the Belle Glade chapter of the Jaycees, written by a Miami lady who was seeking a quantity of "black gold."

The "black gold" she referred to was a small sack of muck which the chamber distributes to tourists. The letter said:

"Some few years ago some samples in clear plastic little sacks stapled together at one end with colored strips marked only 'Belle Glade Black Gold' were handed me by some one who said they were for me to use on plants and I only recently have had so wonderful results. Now I want more, but some of the local seed and fertilizer stores have never heard of it upon my inquiry. Will you please send me some more, if it is obtainable and under what name. It looks like pulverized manure, but I don't know. Signed Mrs. Ruth E. Stirling, Miami."

Well, now let's see. Where shall we begin? Let's start with the fact that muck is a fertilizer. It is a natural product of the earth and it is a very valuable fertilizer. We only have a limited supply of it here, but black stuff around here and scientists say it may flow away by the year 2000!

It's called muck, m/m. Muck is expected to take place in the waters of Lake Okechobee this holiday week end, as anglers vie for big prizes in the \$500 Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Black Bass Fishing Contest.

The chamber's summer-long contest concludes at noon on Labor Day, and grand prize for the biggest bass weighed in at Pahokee harbor during the contest is \$100 cash and a gold-plated trophy and a valuable wristwatch.

Leader in the grand prize sweepstakes to date is Lamon Albertson of West Palm Beach, who has a 10-lb. 5-oz. bass he caught early July. Other big catches were turned in by Horace Harris of Belle Glade (8 lbs. 6 oz.) and E. C. Collier of Pahokee (8 lbs. 5 oz.).

Fishermen still may enter the contest, say chamber of commerce officials, by paying a \$1 registration fee or signing up after spending \$1 for merchandise.

They must be registered before fishing, however, and must keep fish in the official station at Pahokee Harbor.

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## City's Sewerage Plan

(EDITOR'S NOTE) Sewerage disposal has been a subject of conversation for ten years. You are asked to vote on September 16th on THIS PLAN which is the best one available. We're trying to let you know WHAT YOU'RE VOTING ON.

**AREA:** Commencing at railroad and Canal go eastward to South-east Third Street; thence south to SFCD canal; thence eastward to Alfay Gardens, and south to SFCD canal; thence westward to SW 14th Street (extended); thence northward to Avenue E, thence circle Lakewood Schools to railroad; thence to point of beginning.

**PLUS:** All lift stations, force mains, sewerage treatment plant and interceptor, for service to entire City.

<b>ESTIMATED COST</b>	<b>\$1,307,000.00</b>
LESS: government grant—	<b>207,000.00</b>
<b>NECESSARY BOND ISSUE</b>	<b>\$1,100,000.00</b>
<b>ANNUAL NEEDS:</b>	
Debt Service (interest and principal)	<b>71,556.00</b>
Operating Expenses	<b>38,600.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL NEEDS</b>	<b>\$110,156.00</b>
<b>INCOME SOURCE:</b>	
614 single family residence lots, \$4.50 per month (\$54 yearly)	<b>\$33,156.00</b>
1073 Commercial Units (4-yr. equiv.) \$6.00 per month (\$72 yearly)	<b>77,256.00</b>
<b>INCOME from sewerage users</b>	<b>\$110,412.00</b>
<b>SAFETY VALVE: Municipal Utility Tax ('56 figures)</b>	<b>44,991.00</b>
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE INCOME, for sewerage</b>	<b>155,403.00</b>

Note: It is necessary to show 1 1/4 times required debt service in order to attract desirable bond purchasers.

**CONNECTIONS:** When mains are laid a line will be laid to the edge of your property, without charge to you.

Each user will make at his expense the connection from his plumbing to the system at his property line. Costs should vary from \$50 up depending on distance plumbing is from property line.

The Everglades Federal Savings & Loan, The Florida National Bank at Belle Glade and the Bank of Pahokee will lend the money to pay for these connections with monthly repayment privileges.

Your water bill is not affected by sewerage! There will be no added taxes for sewerage! You pay your \$4.50 or \$6.00—That's It! Nobody will pay for two years yet — until sewerage plant is in and main available to you! Those who are not served by a main DO NOT PAY!

**REASONABLENESS OF CHARGES:** Fort Myers pays \$5.00 against our \$4.50! Lake Worth—equivalent of 90% of water bill! Daytona Beach — 100% of water bill! Miami—One half of water bill!

Belle Glade, with the water bill in this plan is NOT in the upper third — it's in the middle third of average charges for many Florida cities having sewerage; there are 72 Florida cities in the middle third.

**THE GOVERNMENT GRANT:** — \$207,000.00. Belle Glade ranks third in the list of Florida cities based on critical needs as emphasized by the US Public Health Service.

Unless federal authorities are notified by September 15th that the grant (\$207,000.00) will be used, it is forfeited, and there are other communities ready and anxious to get the grant.

**Fishing Contest Ends Labor Day**

A big spurt of bass fishing is expected to take place in the waters of Lake Okechobee this holiday week end, as anglers vie for big prizes in the \$500 Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Black Bass Fishing Contest.

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## Boat Club Meeting Planned Tonight

A large group of boat and ski enthusiasts attended an organizational meeting Tuesday night at the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce, and another boat owners meeting is planned to be held at the Belle Glade City hall at 8 p.m.

The financial records, constitution, by-laws and other papers of the older club were located and a complete report of interest to members will be given at tonight's meeting.

Decisions agreed upon Tuesday were that the former boat and ski club will be reactivated rather than form a new club. The same by-laws will be used with additions. Those present then agreed to contact more than 100 boat owners to invite them to tonight's meeting.

Objectives outlined by Lee Steward, president of the Tuesday evening plans were to meet with other clubs to make better boat and skiing facilities available locally, suggest extension of safety rules on the water, work for new residents and light industry because of the increased number of boating enthusiasts.

Fishing and boating contests and water sports programs will also be another function of the new boat club. The previously announced Oct. 6 boating event will be the first project.

**Two Negroes Drown And Another Escapes Crash Monday Near South Bay**

Two negroes were drowned and a third escaped safely when a truck went out of control on U. S. 27 south of South Bay. The truck, crashed into the roadside canal.

FHP Trooper Danny Jackson reported that a truck driven by Charles Ashley, 36, veered into the canal on the east side of the road as it was going north. Ashley and Frank Hendrix, 12, also of Miami, drowned before reaching safety; however, a third man, Woodrow Smith, 25, of Hollywood, was able to swim free.

Constable W. L. Lee and Trooper Jackson said the swift current carried the truck 75 yards from the spot where it first hit the water. This made recovery of the bodies difficult.

Reportedly Billy Drummond of the corps of engineers was the first to arrive on the scene. He made unsuccessful rescue attempts in the water.

**Slaughter Prices Are About Steady**

Slaughter prices were about steady at the Monday sale at the Glades Livestock Market when some stocker prices were steady to higher according to the market's weekly report.

Calves: Good 18.00-19.00. Bulls: Good 18.00-19.00. Steers: 15.10-17.50. Sibs: 16.00-17.50. Cows: 14.00-15.00. 12.50-13.75. Steers: 12.50-13.75. Sibs: 12.50-13.75. Cows: 12.50-13.75.

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## More Changes Announced At Prison Farm As J. L. Greer Resigns Friday

More personnel changes have been announced this week at the Glades State Prison Farm on SR 15. J. L. (Lodie) Greer resigned his job as chief of mechanical services at the farm.

Acting superintendent Donald Teague said he thought the farm's resignation was not available before press time.

Teague also announced that pay for prison guards had been raised to \$250 per month from the \$170-180 average it had been.

Paul Higbee, former prison steward, is now sergeant of the guard and W. J. Phillips, who has had seven years of service with the prison system, has become the new steward.

E. K. Laffin, former assistant supervisor of the sugar cane and cutting operation at the farm, has been named temporary to the captain of the guard post replacing M. F. Farmer who resigned.

James Penuel has been given Laffin's former post; however, no replacement for Penuel's post as foreman in charge of field workers has been named.

**Final Plans Set By Heart Group**

Final plans for the Heart Association meeting to be held in September were made at a meeting of S. L. T. Heart Committee, held Monday morning at the Health Center.

Meeting with the local committee members were Mrs. Barbara McDonald, nutritionist of the migrant project, Robert Browning, health educator of the migrant project, Miss Ovelle Thomas, medical social worker, and Miss Hattie County Board of Health, Miss Hanna Rodriguez.

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**Jaycees Urge Return Of Scholarship Letters**

Potential donors to the Belle Glade Junior Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Fund were urged to return their letters with their donations as soon as possible this week by fund chairman Robert Mathews.

A committee of 100 was selected and letters were sent to them seeking \$10 million to raise the required \$1,000 for the scholarship fund. Any other persons wishing to make a similar donation may do so by turning their checks to Box 448, Belle Glade and made payable to the Belle Glade Jaycee Scholarship Fund.

More information can be obtained by contacting members of the fund committee: Robert Mathews, Herb Lloyd, George Ransley, or C. L. Todd.

One year's winner, Randy Way, 18-year-old Belle Glade High School graduate, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Way, of this city.

**Rardin Discusses Two Items Of Interest To Glades Area People**

A progress report on two Glades projects of the county was given this week by Commissioner Paul Rardin. Rardin said preliminary plans have been made available to the city of Belle Glade to plan their sewer and/or water lines.

Rardin also said a connection road from Airport Road to Duda Farm Road was still in the talking and planning stages. Jess Rusey, Jr., chief of the engineers, Russell & Axon, said Wednesday that the firm expects to receive the preliminary plans today and work would begin immediately on laying out the water lines for Avenue E.

## Roemer & Company Given Contract On Treatment Plant

B. A. Roemer Construction Company here was awarded the contract for the Belle Glade water treatment plant additions by the city commission Wednesday after the council accepted the engineers' recommendation that the city accept the low bid of \$308,237.

The engineers recommended that the city accept the new water intake and distribution system for which bids were received August 14. Their conclusion was that city forces could do the work at a considerable saving under the lowest bid.

The Roemer bid, which was 12% less than engineer's estimate was approved subject to the validation of the \$400,000 in water improvement bonds. Hearing is set for Sept. 13 on the validation of the bonds.

The accepted figure was an alternate bid and calls for steel pipe, less piling rather than cast jess.

Paul Rardin stated that the city might save a total of \$55,000 more by following their recommendation.

In other action the council accepted the recommendation of the city inspector, J. L. Sanitarium to allow Bill Pierce to repair the Bridge Gate at the city water intake, and city codes rather than seek action that would have the building torn down.

The council instructed the attorney to see if there is any action which can be brought by the city against Pierce property in the north-east section of the city with respect to (Continued on Page Eight)

**Rams Light But Faster This Year**

Seven lettermen formed the nucleus of the 36 boys registering for practice on the Golden Rams football team. Coach Jim Maynor said this week. Vince Marquess of Owensburg, Ky., stocker coach to Maynor is working with the line men while Coach Ouellette is in the hospital.

All the boys are looking good and Phil Crant and Larry Harman are in good condition. Maynor stated, Billy Lee fullback from last year has been moved to tackle and Maynor thinks we do a good job in that position.

He further stated that the team is considerably lighter than last year's team, faster, and that a full first team ready but slots are open for the substitutes.

One change has been made in the original football schedule for the year. The Rams will play Catholic Central of Fort Lauderdale on Thursday, Oct. 3 instead of Oct. 4 as stated before.

The schedule is as follows: Sept. 20 — at Seacrest Sept. 27 — Lake Worth, here Oct. 3 — Catholic Central, here Oct. 11 — at Clewiston Oct. 18 — at Ft. Pierce Oct. 25 — Stuart, here Nov. 1 — at Vero Beach Nov. 8 — at Pompano Beach, here Nov. 16 — at Miami, St. Theresa (Sat. afternoon game) Nov. 27 — Pahokee, here

**TODAY IS LAST DAY TO REGISTER**

**For CITY ELECTION**

**8 til 4:30**

**AT CITY HALL**



















## NEGRO NEWS

## Sports Beat

By George S. McKay

The football fans of Palm Beach County will be treated to a galaxy of thrills when the 1957 season opens for Lake Shore, Roosevelt, and Carver High Schools. At the expense of incurring the wrath of the respective coaches, I shall give you an idea of what to expect when these teams kick-off.

Coach C. Spencer Pompey of Carver Eagles, an exponent of Don Faurot's Split-T formation which he has used so devastatingly at Carver High in the past ten years, can be expected to

field a team with speed, power, and deception despite an inexperienced backfield.

The "Maroon Devils" of Roosevelt will be tutored by Coaches Brad Mitchell, former FAMU great, and Samuel Marshall, former pro-footballer, who will start the season with two of the most explosive ball carriers seen in this county for years.

Their backfield will have Benny Merchant who gained 996 yards with 11 TD's, and Jimmy Morrison who amassed a total of 1386 yards and scored 15 TD's.

The "Bobcats," steered by coaches McCoy and Richardson

will field a team whose potential in speed and power is unlimited, with a bunch of youngsters who have become imbued with an almost fanatical desire to win. Added proof that Coach McCoy plans to put the "Cats" stop the game is evidenced by his signing of four year-contracts with the major football powers in his conference.

With very few "breathers" the Bobcats will be subjected to the type of competition that will guarantee excellent entertainment. It will be up to the general public to see if the balance of ingredients that will make Belle Glade a football town.

I refer mainly to our attendance at the games and your support of the various Quarterback Clubs and Athletic groups. Through participation in athletics, the youngsters earn scholarships as individuals, an equal aid to parents attempting to send their youngsters to college.

Give it a little thought between now and the opening game of the season. A plan is in its infancy to select an All County Game Offensive and Defensive.

Selections for berths on this team will be based upon statistics supplied by the respective coaches as to individual performance. The method of selection will be geared to insure all players, despite the school's overall record, an equal opportunity to place. A trophy will be presented to the county champion since the three teams concerned play one another. A team must win the county championship three consecutive years in order to retain the trophy permanently. — Mack

## Squeeze Makers Arrested Sunday

The "squeeze" manufacturers

took a set-back here Sunday after two raids by Belle Glade police officers netted seven offenders who were booked for possession and manufacture of illegal alcoholic beverages in an apartment known as Old Folks Juke on SW 6th St and Avenue C.

Lieutenant V. R. Clark arrested Dennis Thorpe and Amos Welch, both negroes, early Sunday afternoon. They were fined \$50 and costs or 55 days in jail Monday night in municipal court.

Clark told officers McCoy and Oliver to observe the place and raid it again. Their net was five more squeeze artists. Although the police discovered a barrel of alcohol and a barrel of oil, they did not find any cash.

Foster Robinson was given a \$75 and costs or 80 days fine, Paul Kemp, a negro female, \$25 and costs or 30 days and Johnny Findley got \$50 and costs or 55 days. Also Plummer and L. C. Shivers, also nabbed in the second raid, were dismissed without charges.

Clark commented this week the squeeze makers were hard to control. He pointed out that possession of canned heat is legal, selling it is legal; however, straining it through rag or bread and drinking it as after it has been diluted is not legal. Clark said squeeze making is a popular after-dinner and Sunday afternoon activity and many residents in the negro section of Belle Glade. He warned that all offenders who are discovered will be prosecuted.

## Civic League Plans Meeting

The Negro Men's Civic League

during their regular weekly meeting Tuesday evening at the Pailbushers Hall, completed plans for a mass meeting to be held September 8 at the Lake Shore Elementary School Cafeteria.

An open invitation has been extended to all candidates in the forthcoming city election, to attend. The League plans to discuss the sewage proposals in detail, in conjunction with their program to educate the community as to its importance.

President W. C. Taylor, in his discussion outlined each citizen's responsibility in bringing about the successful adoption of the sewage project. Aside from naming "recreation" as one of the major issues on the agenda for the mass meeting, Taylor scored the lack of street lighting and sidewalks as items to be discussed at length.

The league is urging every citizen to attend and participate.

Oh, yes, millions and millions of drivers are perfectly willing for us to have safe highways if they don't have to sacrifice any of their time helping make them that way.

The Central and Southern Florida District District Comprises 15,570 square miles of the total of 58,560 square miles of Florida.

## Cards Nip Giants 14 - 9

Face Boynton Sunday

The Belle Glade Cardinals made it seven in a row Sunday as they did past the Cleveland Indians 14 - 9 at Cleveland. The Cards out-hit the Indians 14-12.

Oliver Davis, right fielder, starter Napoleon Rhodes in the fifth inning and took credit for the win. Robert Johnson, the Cleveland hurler, took the loss.

It had been previously announced that the Cards would face Boynton Beach last Sunday through a mix-up in schedules. The Belle Glade whiz kids will take on the east coast Rums this Sunday looking for their eighth in a row. Last Sunday's win was Davis' third without a loss.

## Advisors Are Named For LSMS "Beam" This Year

Faculty advisors for the Lake Shore

"Beam," a quarterly school publication, have been named this week, according to principal Charles McCurdy.

Mrs. M. S. Harris, chairman, Miss Freddie Stebbins, Mrs. E. C. Grear, Leroy Williams and E. J. Edwards. Edwards will steer the staff which is as yet unnamed.

Staff appointments are to be made soon. Students selected for the "Beam" and annual are chosen from each class, department and organization based on the individual student's scholastic and leadership ability.

The four issues this year will be Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day and Easter. The annual staff will be chosen from 10th and 11th graders, and it will have the same advisors.

## Negro Hospital Notes

Belle Glade Memorial Hospital

Week Ending Aug. 27

Admissions: Betty Jane Pinder, Johnnie Findley, Ientha Hardwell, Mary Louise Harrell, Mary Louise Harrell, Ruby Haulstead, Rosetta O'Neal, Tony W. Wright, Alpheus Beckford, Mattie Mae Johns, Alice Baker, Male Infant, Pauline Mildred Shannon, Hatie Washington, Jesse Bell Shelly, John L. Rowe, Sally Ann Taylor, George Wilcher, Rosa Lee Watkins, Catherine Watson, Annie Cooper, David Payne, Gail Lusane, Charlie Johnson, Arnette Larkin, Carrie Johnson.

Discharges: — Johnnie Harris, Ramona Leonard, Mattie Harlow, Deputy of the Order of the Eastern Star, motored to Lake Placid, Florida to establish a new chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Deputy Grand Master Morgan had recently established the Highland Masonic Lodge of the city which is affiliated with the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Florida and its jurisdiction. The Hilarious B. H. Evans 33rd, Grand Master, presided.

Lincoln was assassinated at Ford's theatre while attending play entitled "Our American Cousin."

Deaths: — Willie McDonald, Rosa Lee Watkins, Janie Bennett, Evelyn Thomas, Catherine Watson, Alice Pickford, Tony Wright, Edward Schell, man, Ben Taylor, Frank Wynn, Willie Daniels, Female Mackin, David Payne, Dennis Morris, Hatie Washington, Sally Ann Taylor, Gloria Posey, Gail Luke, Male Baker, Annie Cooper, Arnette Larkin, Carrie Johnson.

## Negro Births

Willie James and Ruby Haulstead, a daughter, born 8-21-57, Gonto and Mattie Mae Johns, a son, born 8-24-57.

Joe and Jesse Bell Shelly, a daughter, born 8-28-57, Frank and Arnette Larkin, a daughter, born 8-27-57.

Hattie Higgs, girl, born 8-20-57, Georgia Lee Davis, boy, born 8-24-57.

Everglades Memorial Hospital to the schools were not registered until Thursday or later in most cases.

Larger enrollment was at Lake Shore Elementary and High Schools with 532. Figures are expected to double in most cases when registration is complete this week which would mean nearly 2,000 students signed in Glades schools.

Lake Shore Elementary signed 370 for grades 1-6 and 162 for grades 7-12. East Lake at Pahokee had 145 for grades 1-6 and 28 for grades 7-9 for a total of 173.

Roosevelt School at South Bay reported 102, grades 1-6. Okeechobee Elementary tallied 87 for grades 1-6.

Reports from Bryant Elementary and Everglades Center School were not available at press time.

Principal Charles McCurdy at Lake Shore expressed optimism and enthusiasm for this school year. He stated that as a result of the recent county-wide preschool conference held at Roosevelt High School in West Palm Beach, the teaching staff has gained a wealth of information that will prove profitable in this year's program.

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## Delegates Will Attend California Convention

Reverend J. B. Adams and

a delegation of members from St. John's First Baptist Church will leave shortly for Los Angeles, California to attend the National Baptist Convention which opens the second week of September.

The church has just ended a successful revival which resulted in approximately 38 candidates for baptism. Reverend J. Long, Evangelist from Detroit, Michigan, conducted the revival.

## New Masters Star Chapter Is Formed

The illustrious Deputy Grand Master A. Z. Morgan 33rd of Okeechobee Lodge No. 54 along with Lady Amelia Houston, Deputy of the Order of the Eastern Star, motored to Lake Placid, Florida to establish a new chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Deputy Grand Master Morgan had recently established the Highland Masonic Lodge of the city which is affiliated with the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Florida and its jurisdiction. The Hilarious B. H. Evans 33rd, Grand Master, presided.

Lincoln was assassinated at Ford's theatre while attending play entitled "Our American Cousin."

Deaths: — Willie McDonald, Rosa Lee Watkins, Janie Bennett, Evelyn Thomas, Catherine Watson, Alice Pickford, Tony Wright, Edward Schell, man, Ben Taylor, Frank Wynn, Willie Daniels, Female Mackin, David Payne, Dennis Morris, Hatie Washington, Sally Ann Taylor, Gloria Posey, Gail Luke, Male Baker, Annie Cooper, Arnette Larkin, Carrie Johnson.



INSURANCE pays off! Bookers T. Griffen, of Port Mayaca, receives his hospitalization check from Seminole school. Cook at Everglades Memorial Hospital shortly after Griffen was hospitalized last week.

Booker T. Griffen, 37-year-old Port Mayaca negro, was taken to Everglades Memorial Hospital late August 16, after he was accidentally shot in the foot.

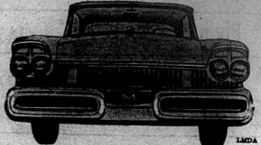
Griffen was entering his home that evening when he accidentally kicked over a 22 rifle while searching for the light switch. The gun discharged and struck Griffen in the leg.

Griffen is reported in good condition at the hospital this week, resting comfortably without fear that hospital bills might put a dent in the family budget.

Insurance agent L. O. Cook said his judgment really paid off when he decided on that Seminole hospitalization plan and after Griffen made the first low-cost payment.

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## Local Topics

### FROM LAKE HARBOR

Reported by the W. S. C. C. To report happenings from the Lake Harbor community call WY 6-2284 no later than Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Headrick of Gadsden, Alabama spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Nick Reynolds this past week. During the week the Reynolds and their guests motored to Fort Lauderdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Elick Shortnag and children spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Davis in Belle Glade.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Watkins of Lakeland were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith. Mrs. Paul Stonaker and children of Jacksonville are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pope for a few days.

Mr. Durwood Avery of Polk City was the week end guest of the Rollin Plank family. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kinney of Canal Point and Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Mullis of Pahokee also visited the Plank's Sunday.

Mrs. Jake Ryan and girls, Alice Robertson, and Mrs. Jimmy Walls and girls of South Bay spent Thursday at Lake Worth Beach.

Jeff Thomas is back at home after being hospitalized with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith and children of Tampa visited the Frank Robertson family Sunday.

Earl Plank and Bobbie Byrd have returned from a weeks vacation at Ft. Pierce beach.

Miss Aileen Hemphill is at home with her parents for a two weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. James Beagle of Lake Placid are moving their sons and Cathy in Lakeland.

house trailer to the Hunt trailer lot.

Mr. A. W. Waldron, Jr. was a business visitor in Fort Myers this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hunt visited in Miami Sunday.

Mrs. B. C. Prewitt has gone to Wauchula to visit her brother, Jim Crews, who is ill there.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Ridgill and Tommy spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Kizzie Davis in Punta Gorda.

Jerry Deester and Carl Anderson of Deester Beach, college friends of Benny Prewitt, have been visiting him for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Summers of Tampa visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cowan Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Weeks were business visitors in West Palm Beach Friday afternoon.

On Thursday Mrs. A. B. Mathis, Mrs. Marvin Lee, Mrs. O. L. Smith, Mrs. Frank Robertson and Mrs. John D. Hemphill attended the PTA County Council meeting at Southboro School in West Palm Beach.

Bill Johnson of Canal Point was guest speaker at the Community Methodist Church Sunday.

Sussie Hemphill, Idella Plank and Jim Pope have returned from M Y F Assembly at Leesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hester and Beth spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. George Deane at Fort Myers Beach for several days.

Mrs. L. C. Nipper is vacationing a few days at Clearwater.

Mrs. Sallie Hamill of Frostproof visited Wednesday with Mrs. C. M. Lee and Mrs. W. M. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Conley and boys and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Fowler and children of Gainesville, Georgia spent Wednesday at Lake Worth Beach.

Mrs. Mary Booth, Stanell and Joyce, have returned home after spending the summer in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson had as their guests this week her mother, Mrs. R. L. Hibbs of Boaz, Alabama and her sister, Mrs. Lorraine Toney and family of Gadsden, Alabama. Thursday the Johnsons and their guests spent the day at Lake Worth Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pope and Jim, Mr. R. L. Van Hoose and Mrs. J. S. Johnson had Sunday evening dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jeffries and family in Riviera Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman McKinley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McKinley and in the afternoon they motored to the Indian Reservation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stuart of Canal Point, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Stuart and son of Belle Glade and Miss Frances Layfield were Thursday evening supper guests of the A. B. Mathis family. The Mathis also had as their Sunday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson and family. Mr. Johnson is employed in the service at the Methodist Church.

Little Cathy DeVane of Lakeland is spending this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hester.

Mrs. H. R. Layfield and Frances shopped in West Palm Beach Saturday and visited Mrs. Bill Jeffries and family in Riviera Beach.

Miss Nancy Layfield is the guest of the C. A. Thomas family at Fort Myers Beach for several days.



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### Persons Out Of Work Due To Summertime Slack In Economy

Persons out of their work through no fault of their own received \$1,542,672 in unemployment insurance payments in July, \$606,114 more than was paid out in June, according to Florida Industrial Chairmen James T. Gocelle in a report just issued. Payments were up 65% above June and covered 72,422 weeks of unemployment, 7,180 more than in July of last year.

Bill Glade's employment office was one of 29 in the state

where payments were up while only two offices showed less payments.

Belle Glade paid out \$12,216 in claims for an increase of \$8,476, the report states.

The seasonal layoff of citrus packing and packing house employees were primary factors in the July rise in benefits paid on a state-wide basis.

Other nearby offices showing increased payments were West Palm Beach, \$60,634, up \$22,248; Ft. Pierce, \$28,454, up \$21,989; Ocala \$19,053, up \$10,415; Ft. Lauderdale, \$28,149, up \$5,231.

The June to July increase re-

ffects also the legislature's raising of the maximum weekly benefit amount from \$26 to \$30 and Florida's economy being at the summertime low mark.

### Committees Set For FFVA Meet

Mrs. J. P. Harlow, Jr., Palmetto, General Chairman of the Ladies Activities Committee for the 14th Annual Convention of the Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association has announced committee member appointments.

The Convention of growers and shippers of Florida vegetable and tropical fruits will be held at Hotel Fontainebleau, Miami Beach on October 9, 10 and 11.

Appointed were: Mrs. George P. Zinke, Pompano Beach, Jr., Donald Bass, Fort Myers; Mrs. J. R. Brooks, Moneystone; Mrs. W. E. Burquest, Sarasota; and Mrs. Luther L. Chandler, Goida.

Also Mrs. C. L. Council, Ruskin; Mrs. Andrew Duda, Jr., Ovidio; Mrs. John Evans, Ovidio; Mrs. W. J. Flora, Lake Worth; and Mrs. Lewis Friend, Pahokee.

Also Mrs. William Graber, Belle Glade; Mrs. L. B. Gravey, Newberry; Mrs. Harold Kaster, Sanford; Mrs. L. H. Lewis, Winter Haven; and Mrs. Allen Markham, Oklawaha.

Also Mrs. L. A. Masters, Hattiesburg; Mrs. Rudolph Mattson, Fort Pierce; Mrs. LeRoy Medlin, Fellsmeier; Mrs. Dixon Pearce, Miami; and Mrs. George C. Pedersen, Perrine.

Also Mrs. Walter Peterson, Goida; Mrs. Billy Rogers, South Bay; Mrs. Robert Stewart, Zell-

wood; Mrs. C. B. Streetman, Vero Beach; and Mrs. Jack Taylor, Palmetto.

Also Mrs. L. T. Thompson, Sarasota; Mrs. George Wedgworth, Belle Glade; and Mrs. W. F. Wolfe, Hastings.

Mrs. Roy Vandegriff, Jr., Pahokee, former Ladies Activities Committee chairman is ex-officio member of all committees. "It will be our pleasure to entertain the visiting ladies. The facilities of the hotel, the scheduled entertainment, and the hospitality planned by this

committee all assure our visitors a grand time," said Mrs. Harlow.

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### Use Care On Road Over Labor Day

Florida Highway Patrol Comdr. H. N. Kirkman today reminded motorists that the Labor Day week-end will end vacations for many and unless they drive with care, it might be their last trip.

The veteran patrol officer said that at least 12 persons will die on our highways over that long week-end which will start at 6 p. m. Friday and extend through Midnight the following Monday.

He based his prediction on current averages and after a survey of records for the last seven years, which show that better than 12 persons have died during each Labor Day holiday, with the high figure of 20 being reached in 1951 and the low in 1954 when the score was 8.

"Unless we take every precaution at our command, both the driver and the members of the Florida Highway Patrol and other safety and enforcement organizations, Labor Day 1957 might easily repeat the awful 1951 total when 20 persons were killed in highway accidents alone," Kirkman said.

The Patrol will put every available uniformed man on the highways that week-end and supplementing troopers will be members of the Legion Auxiliary, several hundred strong.

"No one force or combination of forces can make every driver do the right thing," declared Kirkman, "unless the motorist bands together with law enforcement agencies and tries to do something toward holding the highway slaughter line."

Comdr. Kirkman pointed out that Florida is so far running well behind the 1956 highway death figure, but warned that "one slip in safety and precautionary measures on our roads could easily wipe out all the good marks we have attained so far this year."

He called on the driver and the pedestrian to help make the holiday a safe one.

"We all know, of course, that in unity there is strength. And we also know that if YOU, the driver, will do your part by driving carefully next Labor Day and every day to follow, the highway death figure will be slashed to a bare minimum, which, at best, is an unnecessary loss of human life," concluded Kirkman.

The seven year Labor Day highway death figure follows: 1950, 9; 1951, 20; 1952, 12; 1953, 11; 1954, 8; 1955, 10; and 1956, 12; a grand total of 86.

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